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Patricia S. Ploehn, LCSW Director

### FEBRUARY 28, 2006 BOARD AGENDA ITEM #13: GANG VIOLENCE - QUARTERLY CHILD FATALITY INCIDENT REPORT

On February 28, 2006, your Board instructed the Department of Children and Family Services to report back in 90 days with a plan to enhance and strengthen the provision of gang awareness and prevention education for caregivers, and to inform caregivers about alternative public resources to keep young people safe from gangs. The Department's May 30, 2006 report included planned monitoring and reporting on this issue. As committed, the Department's Child Protection Hotline is tracking any child death or serious injury to a child/youth in Los Angeles County involving possible gang activities and preparing quarterly reports on this matter to your Board. This is our final quarterly report.

We have continued our efforts to mitigate the effects of gang activity on the children in our care and reduce the incidents of gang-related violence. Recently, we hosted a conference for our managers and members of the Probation Department, Department of Mental Health, the Sheriff's Department, and community stakeholders. The focus of the conference was on heightening the awareness of our County's Multi-Agency Response Team that links child welfare to law enforcement activities to expedite services to children exposed to familial gang violence. The conference also provided an opportunity to discuss ways to enhance our multi-department collaborations to address gang violence.

Attached is the quarterly log of suspected gang related child deaths and critical incidents for the months of January through March 2007. The log includes the date of the referral, date of the incident, child's age, ethnicity, location and type of incident.

If you have any questions, please call me or your staff may contact Armand Montiel, Board Relations Manager at (213) 351-5530.

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	He was in the front seat passenger side of a vehicle that was stopped at an intersection. Another vehicle stopped alongside his car and one of the occupants fired a weapon. He was shot in the head	Unidentified assailants in a passing vehicle opened fire on him while playing basketball in front of the family home. He was transported to Harbor UCLA Medical Center where he died of his injuries two days later. Toxicology screening detected the presence of PCP, alcohol, and marijuana in his bloodstream.		Unidentified assailants shot and killed him while he was standing with a group of friends near a parked car in Long Beach.		She was in front of her home sitting in her friend's parked car. An unidentified assailant riding by on a bicycle opened fire on the car, wounding her and her 33-year-old friend.	An unknown assailant reportedly walked up to him while he was standing in front of a market, asked him where he was from, and then stabbed him in the neck		He was reportedly a passenger in a car at the intersection of Josephine Court and Bullis Road in Compton, when he was shot by unidentified assailants		INCIDENT	Tree
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	She was shot and killed as a result of a gang-related shooting. She and her boyfriend (who is reportedly a known gang member) were walking down a street in Eagle Rock when a rival gang member confronted them. Her boyfriend and the rival gang member exchanged gunfire, wounding her in the crossfire.	An unidentified assailant in a passing vehicle shot him while he was crossing the street near his home in the Florence area of Los Angeles. Paramedics responded and pronounced him dead at the scene.	Unidentified occupants of a passing vehicle shot him while he was standing in the front yard. Paramedics subsequently took him to California Hospital Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.	An unidentified assailant approached him on the sidewalk in front of his home and shot him in the neck. On 02/16/07 he died as a result of his wound.	An unidentified assailant walked up to him while he was standing on the sidewalk in front of the family residence and shot him in the neck. Reportedly, he was a known tagger with a criminal history involving weapons charges.	TYPE OF
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Two unidentified assailants pursued him and his friends on foot near his home, and then shot him in the torso. He died as a result of his wound.	An unidentified assailant shot him in the torso while he was standing on a sidewalk approximately three blocks from his home. No additional information regarding the details/circumstances of the shooting were known to the reporting party.	An unidentified assailant approached him on the street and shot him, later he died on 01/30/07.	He was the victim of a drive-by shooting in Mission Hills. He was reportedly standing on a street corner when a car drove by and occupants of the car shot him. He died as the result of a gun shot wound to his chest.	An unidentified assailant in a passing vehicle shot him while he was standing across the street from his home. His death is reportedly believed to be gang-related.	A group of unidentified assailants approached him and his friends while they were walking on a street. After asking where he and his friends were from, the assailants chased him and his friends. He died as a result of gun shot wounds.	TYPE OF INCIDENT
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